

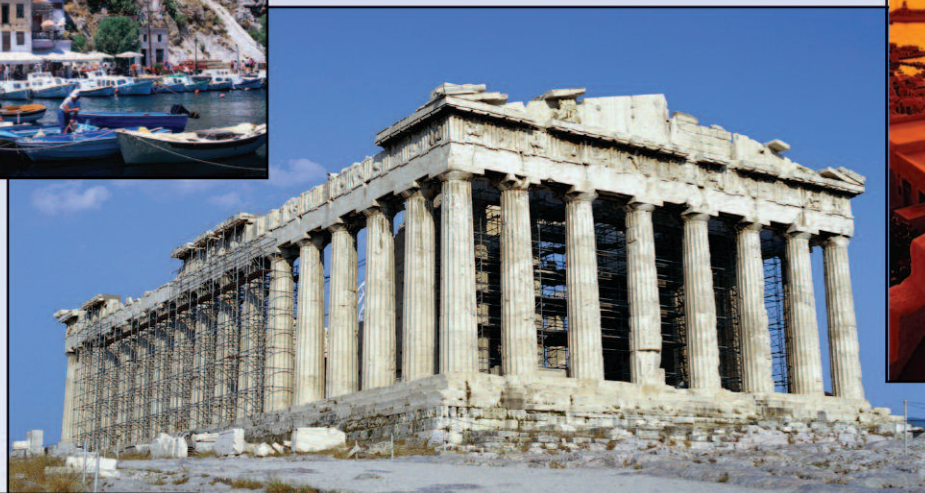


Affordable Greece

featuring Greek Isles Cruising

Departure Date

November 11, 2008



From
\$2,261
Includes
airfare and
fuel surcharge



9 Days • 14 Meals

Step into history at the crossroads of cultures in Greece, the very cradle of ancient civilization. Discover a place where the mythical Greek gods ruled the world and add your own footprints in the sands of time!

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Enjoy a four-day cruise through the Greek Isles



The Parthenon



Area of detail

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Day by Day

- Services of a Professional Tour Manager
- Round trip scheduled air transportation
- 14 Meals (4 dinners, 3 lunches and 7 breakfasts)
- Round trip airport transfers
- \$45 in future travel credits

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Greece

Day Two

- Arrive in Athens, Greece, with included group transfer to your hotel
- Meet your Tour Manager who will suggest dining and sightseeing options during your free time

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Panoramic city tour of Athens including Panathenaic Stadium, Temple of Zeus, Hadrian's Gate and new Parliament Buildings Constitution Square and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
- Guided tour of the Parthenon and Acropolis Museum
- Welcome dinner

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Set sail on the *M/V Aquamarine* with lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Mykonos (evening arrival)

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Rhodes
- Optional excursion to city of Rhodes, Acropolis of Lindos and Temple of Athena

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Ports of Call – Patmos and Kusadasi
- Optional excursion to the Monastery and Cave of the Apocalypse
- Optional tour to the ancient city of Ephesus

Day Seven

- Breakfast onboard before disembarking in Piraeus
- Full day tour of Delphi and Temple of Apollo ending at hotel

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Free day to explore Athens on your own
- Optional tour to Argolis

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Group transfer to Athens Airport for flights home

Ports of Call subject to weather conditions

Athens

Named after the goddess of wisdom Athena, the capital city of Greece has a history that dates back almost four millennia. The highlight of Athens is the Acropolis which stands tall, overlooking the city. You'll take a guided tour of the Parthenon (UNESCO World Heritage site) see the Acropolis Museum and visit the site of the 2004 Olympics and stand in awe at the Temple of Zeus. But Athens is more than ancient ruins. The old 19th century Pláka features a unique mix of Turkish, Neoclassical and Greek-island architecture and fascinating museums. As with all Mayflower Tours, you'll have ample opportunity to explore Athens on your own for a visit to the National Archeological Museum, lively markets and ornate monasteries.

Cruising the Greek Isles aboard the *M/V Aquamarine*

Cruising is the best way to see the Greek Isles. Mayflower Tours has arranged with the majestic *M/V Aquamarine* a four day cruise of the

Greek Islands. When you're not out exploring the ancient cities of the Aegean, the ship provides an atmosphere of comfort and relaxation. From shows, disco and seminars to international cuisine, you'll find the ship an ideal haven and perfect base from which to enjoy the islands.

Mykonos

Often called the "Jewel of the Aegean," Mykonos is the most popular of the Greek Islands. Well-preserved windmills, red-roofed churches and whitewashed buildings make the island a joy to behold. Stroll the esplanade by night filled with restaurants and shops.

Rhodes - At Leisure or Optional Excursion to City of Rhodes and Temple of Athena

Rhodes, home of Helios, the sun god, welcomes you with an indented coastline, golden sands and crystal-clear blue seas. Docking in Rhodes, your first impression will be – what seems like thousands of shops beckoning. Just 12 miles from Turkey, Rhodes has only been a part of Greece since 1947. At your leisure, explore the picturesque narrow lanes and market streets, the Palace, Archeological Museum and Museum of Decorative Arts as well as the Byzantine churches. Most of the sites are within a few minutes' walking distance. If shopping is your thing, look for linens, ceramics and jewelry. Or take an optional excursion to the medieval city of Rhodes (UNESCO World Heritage site) and Lindos to visit the Temple of Athena.

Patmos

A majestic fortress monastery stands high atop the hill, surrounded by dazzling whitewashed houses, grand sea captain's mansions and flowering courtyards. Spend time exploring the narrow streets and shops in Patmos. Or take an optional excursion to the Monastery and Cave of the Apocalypse (UNESCO World Heritage site) where St. John wrote the Book of Revelations.

Kusadasi, Turkey

Shop to your heart's content among the colorful markets in the bazaar. Or, join us for an optional excursion to Ephesus, one of the most fascinating archeological sites in the world. An ancient city that dates back to 2000 BC, Ephesus still possesses a mystical atmosphere. See the Temple of Artemis, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world and the theatre that could hold more than 24,000 people.

Delphi and Temple of Apollo

After the Acropolis, Delphi (UNESCO World Heritage site) is the most popular archaeological site in Greece, considered the center of the world, the place where heaven and earth met. Recognized as the center of worship for the god of Apollo, son of Zeus, people today believe the "oracle of Delphi" still creates a spiritual experience. The Doric Temple of Apollo was the home of Pythia the priestess who channeled the spirit of the gods, predicting the future. Before the fire which destroyed the temple, the walls were inscribed with the ancient wisdom of "Know Thyself" and "Nothing in Excess," still meaningful today.

Optional Tour to Argolis

To get a better understanding of the Greek Empire, take an optional trip to the Argolis region, the oldest continually inhabited city in Greece. See the Corinth Canal, a narrow passageway carved out of solid rock and the city of Mycenae, best known from Greek Mythology and its ruler King Agamemnon of *The Iliad* fame. See the Lion's Gate, the imposing entrance to the city. The open-air theater of Epidaurus (UNESCO World Heritage site) is known for its outstanding acoustics and is the best preserved in all of Greece. Today it is still used for live performances.

Hotel Accommodations

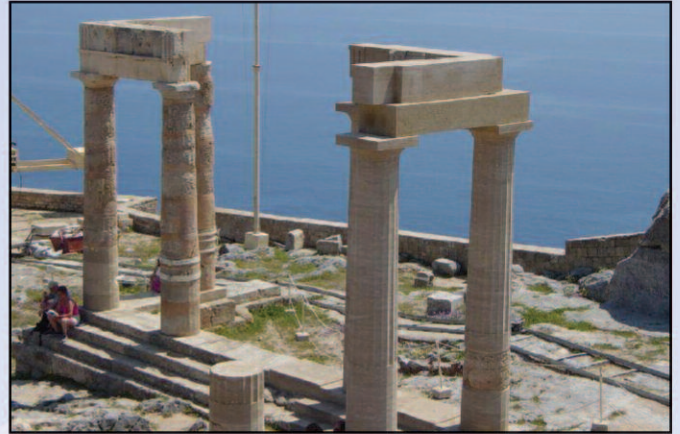
Days Two and Three – Divani Palace Acropolis Hotel, Athens, Greece

Days Four through Six – M/V Aquamarine

Days Seven and Eight – Divani Palace Acropolis Hotel, Athens, Greece



Whitewashed windmills on the island of Mykonos



Ancient ruins of Rhodes



A small fishing boat in Patmos



Ancient city of Ephesus in Turkey



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Per Person Rates

	inside cabin	Outside cabin
Twin	\$2,261	\$2,346
Single	\$2,860	\$3,065

Your tour includes:

- 14 Meals (4 dinners, 3 lunches and 7 breakfasts)
- Round trip airfare from Dulles
- Roundtrip airport transfers
- Fully escorted by a Professional Tour Manager
- \$45 in future travel credits
- Guaranteed Share Program

To cover various departure and arrival taxes please add \$145 per person, as well as \$70 per person for port charges to the air inclusive price. Rates include a fuel surcharge of \$210 per person.

Mayflower's Guaranteed Share Program is only available for inside cabins.

Optional excursions are purchased while on tour in local currency. Your Tour Manager will have complete details.

Itinerary and dates are subject to change to accommodate the cruise schedule. Taxes and fuel surcharges are subject to change.

Prices include airfare and fuel surcharge

Payment Information

\$399 deposit with Travelers Protection Plan

\$200 deposit without Travelers Protection Plan

Final Payment Is Due By:
60 days prior to departure

Make Checks Payable To:
Mayflower Tours

Mail Deposit and Final Payment To:
Julie Harris
NIH Recreation & Welfare Association
9000 Wisconsin Avenue
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Bethesda, MD 20892

For Information Contact:
Julie Harris
301-496-6061 or
Liz Unger
410-647-6363

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) \$199

This nonrefundable fee waives all cancellation fees when we are notified of cancellation before the tour departs. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP guarantees full refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line, and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets were provided by Mayflower Tours.

Without Travelers Protection Plan (TPP)

- 61 days or more prior to departure: full refund
- 60-45 days prior to departure: 20% of total tour
- 44-15 day prior to departure: 30% of total tour
- 14-1 day prior to departure: 40% of total tour
- Day of departure or early departure from tour: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP)

Exclusions: Mayflower Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Tours.

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AFFORDABLE GREECE

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Accommodations:

☐ Twin ☐ Single ☐ Guaranteed Share

Cabin:

☐ Insided ☐ Outside

☐ \$399 **With** Travelers Protection Plan

☐ \$200 **Without** Travelers Protection Plan

Check Amount Enclosed \$ _____

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Rooming with _____

Address _____

City _____

State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____



Passport & Visas

Each U.S. citizen must have a valid passport. Expiry date of passports should be at least 6 months after the return date of tour. If you don't have a passport, call our office and we'll tell you how to apply for one. Some countries require visas for entry by U.S. citizens. We will send visa applications and instructions if a visa is required for your tour. Holders of non-U.S. passports should contact their nearest consulate and inquire about the necessary passport or visa documentation required for entry into the countries visited. NOTE: Due to airline security measures, your passport name must match your airline ticket name and your tour reservation name or you may be denied aircraft boarding.